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In re Patent Application of:
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For: XYLANASES, NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING
THEM AND METHODS FOR MAKING AND
USING THEM

Examiner: Rebecca E. Prouty

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

Responsive to this Election/Restriction Requirement Office Action mailed October 04, 2007, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response to the Office Action was initially due November 4, 2007. Applicants herein submit a petition for a three month extension of time to February 04, 2008, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendment to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 21 of this paper.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal letter, Petition for a three month extension of time.